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New Jersey State Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy Examiners

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF MASSAGE AND BODYWORK
THERAPY

IN THE MATTER OF THE

Administrative Action

LICENSURE OF

CONSENT ORDER
GRANTING LICENSURE

CARMEN MELENCIANO

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AS A MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPIST

This matter was opened to the Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy ("the Board") upon receipt of the application of Carmen Melenciano for licensure as a massage and bodywork therapist.

Upon a review of the application and the criminal history background check, it was ascertained by the Board that although the applicant had indicated "no" in response to the application questions as to arrests, she had been charged with public record

fraud and possession of a controlled dangerous substance in

2002. The applicant was admitted into a diversionary program, and the charges were ultimately dismissed. The applicant maintained that she did not disclose the arrest on her application because the case had been dismissed, and she was under the impression that her record was "clean."

The Board finds that the applicant knew or should have known that she had been arrested, and thus she engaged in misrepresentation on her application in connection with her arrest and conviction history in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b).

The Board finding that granting the applicant's request for licensure is appropriate under the circumstances, and that the within order is sufficiently protective of the public health, safety and welfare, and for other good cause shown;

IT IS ON THIS 20th DAY OF February , 2013 HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

- 1. A civil penalty in the amount of \$100.00 is hereby imposed for the applicant's violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b). Payment shall be in the form of a certified check or money order, made payable to the State of New Jersey, and shall be forwarded simultaneously with this signed Order.
- 2. The applicant's application for licensure shall be granted upon payment of the above penalty, and upon her demonstration

that she has satisfied other licensure requirements, if she has not already done so.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY

By:

Deborah Overholt

Chairperson

I have read and understand the Within Consent Order and agree to be pound by its terms.

Carmen Melenciano